



R.A.MESS.
TINTOWN,
LYDD.

Friday

Dear Mr. Newell, Nothing is decided yet about where I am going, but it is most unlikely I shall be home, unless on the way to Aldershot or France, simply because an army order has stopped all week-end travel except for very particular reasons. So don't expect me tomorrow. Just keep a place for me & if I am coming I will telegraph. The worst part is that Xmas leave is to be stopped. At least one 10% are to go away

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↓ it ~~was~~ is impossible
that such a junior Officer
as I am can be among the
109. But should I go to
Aldebaran they might be
different. In any case,
of course, before I go over
I ought to have 6 days
leave. It will be an easy
thing to do here. The
way out would be to
get Ellis to motor over
for me to spend the day

there, because they say that
so long as you don't go by
train it doesn't much matter.

I see that Capt. Wyllie
has gone to Tidmarsh with
his battery, so I may go
there. But we have heard
nothing more about it. Just
make the best of things till
I turn up.

There isn't anything more
to say till we are all posted
tomorrow. Then I will
write, unless chance brings
me home, as I hope. Edwy.

PTD

If you hear of anybody wanting
to give me anything I need
the following things : -

- An otterkin (caribou) overcoat.
- 2 arctic socks of a small size for
wearing with gum boots.
- a 'lifeguard' periscope.
- a pocket sextant.

2 about 2 sizes too small.